

PATENTS ACT 1977

IN THE MATTER OF an application under
Section 13(3) by Kabushiki Kaisha Komatsu Seisakusho
in respect of granted Patent No 2281640
in the name of Kabushiki Kaisha Komatsu Seisakusho

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DECISION

The Form 7/77 filed for this patent application named three inventors: Mr Yozo Nishi, Mr Iwao Kurokawa and Mr Yoshihiko Hashizume. Accordingly, these three inventors' names appear on the granted patent.

The Patentees, Kabushiki Kaisha Komatsu Seisakusho, alleged under Section 13(3) that Mr Hashizume ought not to have been mentioned as an inventor. It would appear that Mr Hashizume is the Japanese attorney acting for the applicant in Japan and his name was included on the Form 7/77 by mistake.

In accordance with Rule 14(2), copies of the application under Section 13(3) and accompanying statement were sent to Kabushiki Kaisha Komatsu Seisakusho, Yozo Nishi, Iwao Kurokawa and Yoshihiko Hashizume under cover of official letters dated 21 August 1996.

None of the recipients has entered any opposition as allowed under Rule 14(3). In absence of any such opposition I am satisfied that Yoshihiko Hashizume ought not to have been mentioned as inventor in the granted patent. This decision serves as a certificate, issued in accordance with Section 13(3), to that effect.

Further, I direct that an erratum slip be prepared for the granted patent.

Dated this 10th day of December 1996



HUGH EDWARDS
Principal Examiner, acting for the Comptroller

THE PATENT OFFICE

